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**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES
COMMENT AND REPLY COMMENT DATES FOR THE NOTICE OF PROPOSED
RULEMAKING ON 911 FEE DIVERSION**

PS Docket Nos. 20-291 and 09-14

Comments Due: March 23, 2021

Reply Comments Due: April 2, 2021

On February 17, 2021, the Federal Communications Commission adopted a *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* seeking comment on proposed rules to help ensure that 911 fees are used for the direct support and implementation of 911 services.¹ The proposed rules would designate the uses of 911 fees by states and taxing jurisdictions that constitute 911 fee diversion for purposes of 47 U.S.C. § 615a-1, establish a declaratory ruling process for providing fee diversion guidance to states and taxing jurisdictions, and codify restrictions imposed on states and taxing jurisdictions engaged in fee diversion.² The *NPRM* set deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 20 and 30 days, respectively, after publication of a summary of the *NPRM* in the Federal Register.³

On March 3, 2021, the Office of the Federal Register published a summary of the *NPRM*, including the associated comment and reply comment dates.⁴ Accordingly, comments must be filed on or before March 23, 2021, and reply comments must be filed on or before April 2, 2021. The *NPRM* contains the comment filing instructions.⁵

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¹ *911 Fee Diversion; New and Emerging Technologies 911 Improvement Act of 2008*, PS Docket Nos. 20-291 and 09-14, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 21-25 (Feb. 17, 2021) (*NPRM*). The *NPRM* proposes rules implementing the Don't Break Up the T-Band Act of 2020, which was enacted as part of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021. See Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Pub. L. No. 116-260, Division FF, Title IX, Section 902, Don't Break Up the T-Band Act of 2020.

² *NPRM* at 5, para. 10.

³ *NPRM* at 16, para. 42.

⁴ See 86 Fed. Reg. 12399 (Mar. 3, 2021).

⁵ *NPRM* at 15, paras. 38-40.